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**Bio:** I was born in Abilene, KS and lived in Solomon, KS until I was around three. My family and I moved to Topeka, KS and I haven't really left since. I attended Topeka Public Schools and graduated from Topeka High School in 1999. I then attended Kansas State University to study Civil Engineering and graduated in 2004. While at K-State I met my wife, Jolie, and we were married the weekend after we both graduated from college. We have three children, Rowan (14), Isla (11), and Maryn (7). In 2010, I earned my Master's degree from K-State in Civil Engineering. I enjoy all things K-State, Royals, and Chiefs.

I began my professional career after I graduated from K-State at Professional Engineering Consultants in Topeka, KS. I have worked on a variety of projects over the past 17+ years at PEC. Most of my projects have involved water, either clean or otherwise. The majority of my work has been located in northeast Kansas and been either water distribution, elevated water storage, or wastewater collection. I am currently a Principal and Team Lead for the Topeka Municipal Team. I am a licensed PE in Kansas, Iowa, Oklahoma, and Missouri.

**Interesting Fact:** My dad was a water and wastewater treatment plant operator for over 30 years. My time spent visiting him at work as a kid is the main reason for my career path in the water and wastewater industry.

**Quote:** Knowledge is of no value unless you put it into practice. Anton Chekhov

My job would be easier if I had additional design staff to allow for more time to manage and grow my current staff and increase project workload.